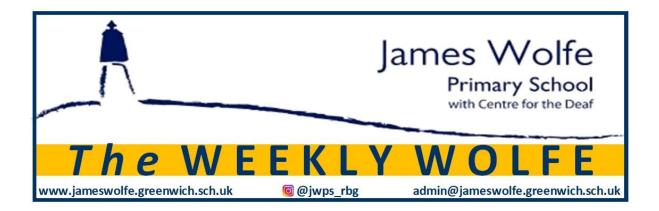
Thursday 29th September 2022



Dear Parents,



It's been another fantastic week for our children across the school. At Royal Hill, we've had a virtual author visit for Year 6 and Year 5 have now all been to the London Eye; experiences which I know will impact their learning. It is so wonderful to see the enthusiasm with which children across all year groups talk about their lessons and actively participate in discussing what they have learned and what they would still like to find out.

In assembly this week, we have been talking about the **PROUD** value of *Opportunity*. This can sometimes be hard to define in terms of school life -- but we encourage the children to make the most of all learning opportunities in school, as well as the wider opportunities outside, such as school visits, local events and pursuing hobbies. We have also discussed how taking risks is important in order to make the most of our skills. Did you know that JK Rowling was rejected twelve times by publishing agencies before someone took a risk on her books? Or that Lionel Messi was cut from his school football team when he was 11 years old because he was too small and would never be any good? So it is not only important that we grasp opportunities that are presented to us with both hands, but also make our own opportunities when we need to.

Last weekend I took the chance to see the Van Gogh exhibition in Spitalfields and was struck by how he took every opportunity to pursue his artwork - travelling to different locations, repeatedly painting the same subjects to refine his technique and meeting with other artists to inspire and motivate himself. As Van Gogh himself said, "Great things are done by a series of small things brought together", something I think we can all bear in mind as we continue to encourage our children to pursue their interests and enjoy their learning.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Kind regards, Mrs Simpson



PAYMENTS

This year, all payments, with the exception of those for school dinners, will be made on SchoolMoney. This includes payments for music lessons, school trips and Nursery lunchtime supervision/top-ups. To log into SchoolMoney, please visit https://login.eduspot.co.uk/public/portal/parent/?app=schoolmoney&source=website&version=20190314. Passwords are sent out in the message with each payment request, unless you have changed it yourself, and receipts are automatically generated and emailed after payment. If you need any assistance with making payments, please contact the school office.

Please note that school dinners will remain payable on Pupil Asset only.



MISS SMITH vs THE MARATHON

This Sunday (2nd October) is the London Marathon and Miss Smith, class teacher of Year 2 Maple, will be running the 26.2 miles for Macmillan Cancer Support. She hopes to see as many of you as possible cheering her on and there's still time to donate towards this worthy cause at http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/chelssmith. Many thanks!



MET. POLICE CHRISTMAS TREE CAMPAIGN POSTER COMPETITION

Each year, the Metropolitan Police Christmas Tree Campaign delivers Christmas presents to young people across London who may not otherwise receive a gift. This year, each local policing team will choose a poster designed by a local primary school child, which will then be used to advertise the campaign to the public, with the Commissioner choosing an overall winner to promote the London-wide campaign. This winner and the next four runners-up will be invited with their parents to turn on the New Scotland Yard Christmas Tree Lights in November.

Children are encouraged to draw images inspired by what this campaign means to them. All entries must be submitted electronically via the school by Friday 7th October 2022.

Friends of James Wolfe School

Hi everyone,



Come and join us tomorrow morning (Friday 30th) for our new parents' Coffee Morning, straight after drop-off in the Lower Hall at Randall Place. <u>All are welcome</u>. There will be tea, coffee and pastries, and we will be giving a short presentation highlighting past projects we have raised money for, as well as projects to come. This is a chance to see what we do and how you might like to help, so please join us, it will be great to see some new faces.

Please follow/like us on Twitter/Facebook to find out more about what we do, as well as about upcoming social/fundraising events. All are welcome!

Email: friendsofJWS@gmail.com
Facebook: https://en-gb.facebook.com/FJWSGreenwich
Twitter: https://twitter.com/fjwsgreenwich

IMPORTANT DATES

Autumn Term 2022

Thursday 29th September -- Year 6 Secondary Transfer Meeting (Royal Hill, 4pm)
Friday 30th September -- FJWS Coffee Morning (Randall Place, 9am)
Monday 3rd October -- Assistance for Parents with Nasal Flu Consents (RP)
Wednesday 12th October -- Year 4 Pluto Trip to Deptford Creek
Thursday 13th Oct. -- Mixed Football 6-a-Side Tournament (CAFC Training Grnd)
Monday 17th October -- Year 4 Venus & Sun Trip to Deptford Creek
Tuesday 18th October -- Boys' Football Team Friendly Match vs Morden Mount (RP)
Wednesday 19th October -- Year 4 Mercury Trip to Deptford Creek
Wednesday 19th October -- Girls' Football Team Match vs Morden Mount (MM)
Monday 24th October to Friday 28th October -- Half Term
Week of Monday 31st October -- Parents' Evenings
Thursday 3rd November -- Randall Place Individual Pupil Photographs



OCTOBER 24TH, 25TH AND 26TH

El Recreo will be running a Spanish Holiday Camp for children aged 4 - 11 years at our Randall Place campus during Half Term. It will be open to all children and will be available on the 24th, 25th and 26th October between 9:00am and 3:30pm.

Attendees will learn Spanish via games, art and music workshops, storytelling, singing, dancing and more. For more information regarding the camp and for booking, please visit https://www.elrecreo.co.uk/holiday-camps. A sibling discount will be automatically applied at checkout.



Although term has already begun at the award-winning Anna Fiorentini Theatre & Film School, there are still places left in the Fiorentini Weenies classes for 4-6 year olds. Classes run on Saturdays at Randall Place and introduce early-years students to the fun and excitement of the performing arts in a nurturing environment. If your child would like to explore drama, singing and dance skills in a fun and supportive space, you can sign up now and claim 20% off your first term by quoting your school on the application form.

We ask all students to join us for a taster day before signing up for the full term. To find out more and to book your obligation-free taster day, please visit http://www.afperformingarts.com/theatre-and-film-school/schools/weenies-greenwich.



10% off fun-filled, flexible childcare for James Wolfe pupils

Dear Parents.

Venue: James Wolfe Primary, Royal Hill, Greenwich SE10 8RZ wc 24th October 2022

Rated 5* by parents on Netmums and Feefo, our Ofsted-registered Holiday
Camps bring together the very best of music and childcare to engage and inspire
your child every school holiday.

Each day is wonderfully different and includes our "Learn Together, Play Together" morning lessons. Choose from either guitar, violin and ukulele - dependent on location and dates. Free hire of an instrument for every child too.

Afternoons include our carefully-created workshops, designed by our experienced Head Office team and based on the theme of the week. Workshops range from dance and music, to art and sport.

Don't miss out on our End of Holiday Camp Grand Concert too!

10% off for James Wolfe Primary School Pupils

To claim your discount simply call our friendly Head Office team and we'll pop an exclusive discount onto your Online Portal for future bookings too!

Visit www.thestringsclub.org - Call 0121 296 9204.

Why Consider Us?

- Rated 5* on <u>Netmums</u> and Feefo by parents
 - . Book one day to the whole experience
- EYFS Ofsted-registered so we can welcome children aged 4 all day
 - · Free hire of an instrument
 - £50 per day
 - Qualified, experienced, <u>fully DBS checked team</u>
 - Standard hours and Extended Hours available
 - 10% sibling discount
 - Childcare vouchers and tax-free childcare accepted

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Amy and The Strings Club Team





SECONDARY TRANSFER

The window for secondary school applications has now opened and will close on Monday 31st October 2022. The easiest way to apply is through the eAdmissions portal, which can be found at https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/?page=Tutorial&service=page. For more information, please visit https://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions.

We will be holding a meeting to talk through the process for those parents requiring further support **at 4pm today** (Thursday 29th September) in the Hall at Royal Hill. A number of local secondary schools will also be attending to share specific information about their school. If you have any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact the school office, who will be happy to help.



MEET THE TEACHER

The Meet the Teacher PowerPoint slideshows are now available for parents to download from our website at https://www.jameswolfe.greenwich.sch.uk/meet-the-teacher.



CYCLE TO SCHOOL WEEK

The week of 3rd October is Cycle to School Week, when the nation's children are encouaged to use pedal power to get to school. This year, we would like our children and families to pledge to cycle more during Cycle to School Week. Pledges are being accepted from now until Friday 7th October and are made using an online form, with participants entered into a prize draw to win a brand-new Frog City 61 Bike!

Any individual can make an active travel pledge for Cycle to School Week at https://www.bikeability.org.uk/cycletoschoolweek/.

Participants will receive a media pack with their pledge badge (below), which they can share on social media for an extra entry into the prize draw.





NASAL FLU VACCINATIONS

As part of the National Childhood Vaccination schedule, all children in Reception to Year 6 are being offered this year's annual nasal flu vaccination in order to protect your child against flu, which can be an unpleasant illness and - in rare cases - can sometimes cause serious complications. Additionally, through herd immunity, vaccinated children are less likely to pass the virus on to others, some of whom may be at great risk from flu. The childhood nasal flu vaccination protects against four different strains of the virus and is given once yearly as a simple spray up each nostril, which is painless, very quick and serious side effects are uncommon.

Please use the following the link to complete the consent online: https://app.schoolscreener.com/Portal/#/Oxleas/imms/Oi41/131246. If you experience difficulties accessing the eConsent system, please visit the Parent Support Help Desk at https://parentsupport.schoolscreener.com/portal/en/home for assistance.

If you decide you do not want your child vaccinated against flu, <u>you must decline</u> <u>using the eConsent form</u>. This will automatically remove your child from the flu programme. The vaccination session will be held on Wednesday 12th October. Please complete the online consent form by midday on Friday 7th October 2022. We will be offering parents in-person assistance if they are having difficulty completing the form on Monday 3rd October at Randall Place.



LOST PROPERTY

Please can parents who are concerned their child has lost items in school make sure they ask about lost property, as it will be checked and disposed of at both campuses regularly. Randall Place lost property can be found under the canopy, whereas at Royal Hill it is put out in the playground at pick-up every Thursday.



NUTS AND SESAME SEEDS

We remind all parents that ours is a nut-free school, including packed lunch boxes, and that chocolate spread is often nut-based as well. This includes sending in chocolates such as 'Celebrations', 'Roses' or 'Quality Street' for birthdays or the end of term, as these include the likes of 'Snickers', 'Hazelnut Swirl' and 'The Purple One', all of which contain nuts. We also ask that sesame seeds are not brought in to school. It is very important that this policy is adhered to.









DIETARY INFORMATION

Can we ask that parents make sure they update their child's dietary information regularly, should that be necessary. Have your child's dietary needs changed? If they have, please make sure you let us know.



BSL CLASSES

If you would like to start or continue learning British Sign Language as part of our Community Classes for parents, please email admin@jameswolfe.greewnich.sch.uk and let us know, marking your email for the attention of Ms Begum.



PUPIL ASSET

Parents are able to edit their own details in Pupil Asset, so, if you have switched phone numbers or even spot a mistake, there is now no need to make a request from the school office, you can just log in and make the change yourself.

To log in to Pupil Asset, parents can either download their Parent App or log in to their ParentPortal. To create a password for the ParentPortal, please go to https://secure.pupilasset.com/ and select Login Via ParentPortal, then First Time Login. Alternatively, you can download their app, either for iPhone from https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/pupil-asset-parent-app/id1490994393, or for Android from https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.rnparentapp. Tap First Login then enter the email address we have on record for you. When you tap Submit, PA will send you an email which will allow you to set your password. Your password will need to be at least eight characters long and include a number, or you will be unable to log in. Please inform us if your email address has changed. Once you have created login details you will be able to sign in with them on the Login screen. Full instructions can be found at https://www.pupilasset.com/help/how-to-guide/parental-communicationcontactsemailsmspattr-/parents-app-overview-a-guide-for-parents. The app/portal will initially only be used for dinner payments -- you will not, for example, be able to select meals as demonstrated in the guide and, indeed, our rules regarding this will remain the same.



Instagram





Website



SoundCloud





Remember, you can donate to our parents' association when doing your shopping at no extra cost to yourself! When you shop online, please access your accounts via their associated charity portals. If you visit your Amazon account via http://smile.amazon.co.uk and assign Friends of James Wolfe School' as your chosen charity, Amazon will then make a donation to us for every purchase you make. For online shopping with thousands of other retailers (such as Argos, John Lewis, Sainsbury's

via http://www.easvfundraising.org.uk and follow the directions to link the FJWS, so that each retailer will make a donation.